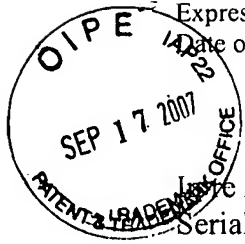


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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicants hereby petition for a five-month extension of time to submit a Response to the Office Action mailed March 16, 2007 in the above-identified application. With the extension, this Response is due on or before September 17, 2007 (September 16, 2007 being a Sunday). A check in the amount of \$2,160.00 in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(5) is enclosed herewith.

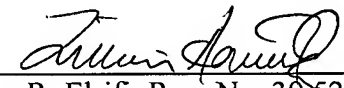
Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 23239-558A UTIL. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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